

Tree Information Sheet

Common Name

Crepe Myrtle

Botanical Name

Lagerstroemia indica "Sioux"

Origin

Eastern Asia.

Description

A deciduous, vase-shaped tree about 6-8 meters high. Producing spectacular clusters of pink, mauve or purple blooms in late summer.

The magenta petals are ruffled, with a crepe-like texture. In autumn the mid-green leaves turn yellow, orange or red (depending on the variety) before falling. Unpruned Crepe Myrtles develop beautifully coloured, smooth, mottled trunks. The Indian Summer range (var. Sioux and var. Natchez) have been specially bred to resist powdery mildew.



Close-up of Crepe Myrtle flower and foliage



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